

Francisco 50 years ago, and today carries a copy of the U.N. Charter in his coat pocket. This "eccentricity," as one news account called it, is a testament to the importance Senator PELL has always placed on an international organization aimed at promoting world peace and cooperation.

Senator PELL's greatest legacy probably will lie in the field of education. He is the second-ranking Democrat on the Committee on Labor and Human Resources and for years chaired the Subcommittee on Education, the Arts, and Humanities. He made a particular mark in setting up a grant program for needy college and university students. These Pell grants, as they are officially called, have become familiar to a generation of students. He has also been a leader in promoting ocean research.

A statement Senator PELL made in his retirement announcement summarizes his philosophy and approach to public service. He said,

I consider . . . the United States Senate a marvelous institution. . . . And I continue to believe that government, and the federal government in particular, can, should, and does make a positive impact on the lives of most Americans.

There is no doubt that CLAIBORNE PELL has contributed significantly and tangibly to that positive impact over the last 3½ decades.

In his announcement, Senator PELL also thanked the people of Rhode Island for having tolerated his eccentricities. If those eccentricities include a quiet, unassuming manner characterized by thoughtful reflection, meditation, honesty, and courtliness, then we should all aspire to be eccentric in the ways that our dear friend from Rhode Island is eccentric. He is eccentric in the best sense of the term. I congratulate Senator PELL, look forward to serving with him for the remainder of this Congress, and wish him all the best for the future.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR BILL BRADLEY

Mr. HEFLIN. Mr. President, like each and every Member of this body, I was surprised—shocked is not too strong a word—when our colleague from New Jersey announced that he would not be running for a fourth term in the Senate. I could not help but feeling that with the loss of Senator BRADLEY, the Senate would be losing one of its most intellectual, thoughtful, and hard-working Members, perhaps one of its most unique ever.

BILL BRADLEY is indisputably capable, an outstanding student of and original thinker on major economic and foreign policy issues, as well as a reflection of mainstream public opinion in this country. He is careful and deliberate in his judgments, and often provides a fresh and enlightening perspective on the many complex issues that come before the Senate.

Our Nation's tax structure has been one of the focuses of Senator BRAD-

LEY's distinguished career in public service. His 1982 fair tax proposal led directly to the landmark 1986 tax reform bill. The plan was to cut tax rates sharply and eliminate most preferences and tax shelters. He took a broad concept and, in characteristic fashion, filled in the details with exacting care.

This was a major piece of legislation whose passage was remarkable, especially since Senator BRADLEY had relatively little seniority and was, at the time, serving in the minority. But as President Reagan, the Treasury Department, the Ways and Means chairman in the House, the Finance chairman in the Senate, and other key leaders embraced comprehensive tax reform, Senator BRADLEY was there every step of the way. He quietly encouraged others, avoiding the spotlight while offering advice and lobbying Members. He even played basketball with some Members. In spite of his unobtrusive manner and behind-the-scenes style, he emerged as the indispensable man in getting the bill through Congress.

Senator BRADLEY's has been one of our most eloquent voices on the issue of race relations in this country. He has long called for a national dialog on the issue, free of the ideological extremes that tend to make thoughtful and frank discussion of race relations rare, if not impossible. His well-thought-out and reasoned pronouncements have often had a cooling effect, and have raised the level of the arguments above the harsh rhetoric often associated with the issue. This is true on other issues as well, especially during foreign policy crises.

I look forward to working with Senator BRADLEY during the time we have left together in the Senate, and wish him all the best for whatever his future might hold after he leaves. I am confident that he will, for many years to come, continue to influence the direction of our country and will continue to provide valuable leadership on the important issues that confront us.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Arizona is recognized for 30 minutes.

Mr. McCAIN. I thank the Chair.

(The remarks of Mr. McCAIN and Mr. FEINGOLD pertaining to the introduction of legislation are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

CONGRATULATING CAL RIPKEN, JR., ON BREAKING THE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL RECORD FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES PLAYED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the Senator from Maryland.

Ms. MIKULSKI. I thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Arizona for yielding. He knows why I rise on the Senate floor today. It

is because, in behalf of myself and Senator SARBANES, as well as our colleagues from the other side of the Potomac, Senators WARNER and ROBB, I send to the desk a resolution congratulating Cal Ripken, Jr., on the occasion of breaking the Major League baseball record for consecutive games played, and I now ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 167) congratulating Cal Ripken, Jr., on the occasion of his breaking the Major League baseball record for the highest total number of consecutive games played.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I would also further like to thank the Republican leader, Senator DOLE, for allowing the Senate to have no more votes after 5:30 last night so those Senators who were fortunate enough to have tickets to the game could get there to be there on time, to hear the national anthem sung, and Mr. Ripken's children throw out the ceremonial first ball and to see America as it really ought to be. So I would like to thank the majority leader for the courtesy that he extended to me and to the other Senators.

Mr. President, it is with pride and enthusiasm that I rise today to honor a baseball hero, a Maryland hero, and an American hero. Last night Cal Ripken, Jr., broke baseball's endurance record. Cal Ripken played in his 2,131 consecutive ballgame, and in doing so, he broke Lou Gehrig's record in consecutive games played. Yes, Cal surpassed the great Iron Horse, Lou Gehrig, by playing 2,131 straight games. Cal has started every game as a Baltimore Oriole player since May 30, 1982.

Now, Cal has achieved many honors already, in his career: Two league Most Valuable Player awards, 13 All-Star games, and two Golden Glove awards. These are just a few of his many accomplishments. His streak is astounding for the character and the commitment it represents. To the people from Maryland like me, the streak means so much more, though, than physical endurance and awards. For us, Cal's effort is a testimony to what someone can achieve when they put team interests ahead of self interests.

Cal has not done this just for the sake of breaking a record; he broke that record because that is how he lives. He gives 100 percent every day. Ask any of the hundreds of Baltimore Orioles, who played with him over the last 14 years. Ask Cal's coaches who have seen him rededicate himself every day. Ask any of the thousands and thousands and even millions of Orioles fans for whom he stayed at the ballpark late at night, willing to sign autographs, appear at charity events and be